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ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-20

USIA-15 ACDA-19 IO-14 OMB-01 CG-00 COME-00 EB-11

JUSE-00 SCA-01 SCS-03 AID-20 DRC-01 /162 W

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R 311020Z OCT 73

FM AMEMBASSY SAIGON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8574

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION COMSCFE YOKOHAMA JA FROM MSCOVietNAM SGN RVN
OCT 27 REPEATED FOR YOUR ACTION

QUOTE

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FM MSCOVietNAM SGN RVN

TO RUADKHA/COMSCFE YOKOHAMA JA

INFO RHELSAP/COMSC WASHDC

RUMJIR/AMEMB SGN RVN

ZEN/DAO SGN RVN

RUADKHA/PATMA FLD OFC YOKOHAMA JA

C O N F I D E N T I A L//N03480//

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A. MSCOVietNAM 09PQPTZ OCT 73 (NOTAL)

1. (C) AS DESCRIBED REF A, A US FLAG SHIP WAS RECENTLY
SUBJECT TO SAPPER ATTACK IN THE SAIGON AREA.

SUBSEQUENTLY A TUG UNDER CONTRACT TO DIRCON HAS ALSO
BEEN SUBJECTED TO SAPPER ATTACK WITH EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

2. (U) THESE RECENT INCIDENTS POINT UP THE FACT THAT
ENEMY CEASEFIRE VIOLATION, WHICH CONTINUE TO BE

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WIDESPREAD THROUGHOUT RVN, WCONSTITUTE A THREAT TO

MERCHANT SHIPPING WHILE TRANSITTING, AT ANCHOR OR MOORED
IN RVN WATERS. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT
MSC INTEREST SHIPS CALLING RVN BE WARNED OF THIS THREAT
AND ADVISED THAT APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES, I.E.
SECURITY PATROLS, WATERLINE LIGHTING, ETC., SHOULD BE
AGAIN INSTITUED. ACTION HAS BEEN INITIATED LOCALLY TO
WARN SHIPS AND AGENTS OF POSSIBILITY OF SAPPER ATTACK
AND REINFORCED SECURITY MEASURES HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED.
ALSO THE COOPERATION OF THE NEWPORT PORT COMMANDER
HAS BEEN SOUGHT AND OBTAINED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
SECURITY OF THIS PORT INCLUDING UNDERWATER SWEEPS.
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END QUOTE
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